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POLGEZ TO AID 17TH CENTURY RESEARCH UNDER L. S. WRIGHT AS NEW DIRECTOR.

is 3. Wright will become director of the Folger Shakespears lifturer in Washington, D. C., July 1. At the same time the platess plan to commone transforming the Library into "an ive research institution for the study of English civili-

ir. Wright has been on the staff of the Henry E. Huntington trary and Art Gallery, San Marino, California, since 1932, can be left the English Department of the University of North-juvilina. His work there was concerned primarily with research the English Beraissance and American civilization of the ionial period, and with the advancement of the Huntington years as a research institution.

The Trustees point out that while Mr. Polger's original sleetien concentrated upon Shakespeare, acquisitions during repast two decades have made it one of the largest in the crid for soudy of English history of the sixteenth and sevenmenth centuries. Plans for the future include development it be reference collections, aid and encouragement to scholars, it close comperation with graduate schools and other research included in this country.

GUEGENHETM ANAROS

issis to Marts (Yale) was the only recipient this year of a horsehean fellowship for a subject in Seventeenth Century English literature. He will make a study of English religious restry during the sixteenth and seventeenth conturies in relation to the Continental movement toward methodical religious radication.

Bavid M. Willow (Minnesota), however, received a renewal of the grant made hast year founds completion of his biography of lases I. And three scholars were granted awards for subjects which include an aspect or aspects of Seventeenth Century Literature; Edwin Honig (Mexico), for a comparison of certain works of spical and allegorical imagination since Spenser; Wilbur famed (Princatom), for an historical survey of theories of postry in England and America, 1530-1900; and Josephine Miles (California), for a study of the history of English postic langmap with emphasis on five major decades in the sixteenth to the quantieth canturies.

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to thought we had included all the Guggenheim Award news when a wrote the shows, but must have slipped somewhere, for J. M. shorn sands us the following news of other awards:

Dagel Sludter (California) is making a study of "Dutch-lerian followis! Evalve in the Service of the California of the Calif

Berian Colonial Rivalry in the Seventeenth Century."

Samuel E. Thorne (Yale) will study "The Court of Star Chaner in the Late Sixteenth and Edrly Seventeenth Centuries, with
Esphasis on the Transition from Medieval to Modern Law."

Steven De Euttle (Virginis) will study "The Keyboard Works
of the English Virginalist Composers."

PUBLICATIONS OF UNIVERSITY PRESSES

fuld engage care to take on the job of keeping up with the breateanth Century doings of the university presses for, for the taster, of presses in general? Such an assignment night speak particularly to one of our subscritors in a small college resort from research centers and metropolitan press.

life remote from research centers and metropolitan pross.

Incidentally, we should like to find one or more persons
to would make it their business to report for the News Letter
he may requisitions and delags of the research libraries.

CONVENTION PAPERS STILL ACCEPTABLE

Professor Robert R. Cawley, Princeton, Chairman of Group VI, urges those who have papers, or ideas for papers, for the December convention, to send them in. They are still acceptable. The Chairman has announced no specific subject for papers, but plane to have the best presented, whatever their thems.

NEW YORK LUNCHBON!

Would any subscribere to this periodical, or others, be interested in eating lunch together one day during the 1948 Medern Language Association Convention in New York?

It should be pointed out at once that this is not an official activity of the Period of Wilton Group, but only an idea of the Editor's. He has long felt that the scholar's life is a lonely enough one, and that eating together on the rare occasions then persons interested in the same field are in the thinity of one another might do a little (like this News Latter) to suchiorate our social isolation (No men is an island, ealth Dr. Donne), and perhaps sid-the cause of scholarship somewhat. His view is reinforced by what Messrs. Bush and Pettit say in this issue.

A good time for the luncheon might be the same time as the Bighteenth Century luncheon. That affair has grown embarasingly large, and would probably welcome the departure of some of us. Mr. Don M. Wolfe, of Brooklyn College, has kindly offered to find a restaurant (with a high ceiling; that the Editor insists on) that is not too expensive nor too far sway — though we might use the subway. Mr. Wolfe and I will attend, and perhaps only he and I; if others wish to join us they should write cither one of us. And no doubt some problems wilk arias, on Brobach's "centrifugal diversity" principle. Indeed, one has already arisen with only two luncheoneers in sight, Mr. Wolfe wants speakers, the Editor does not. However that problem is worked out, those who attend should be prepared to eat a comfortably leisurely luncheon, and perhaps to miss some of the afternoon's Group meetings. (Mr. Parker doesn't care).

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Note: After writing this, we find that our first line seems to exclude subscribers to other periodicals. We are not so exclusive; some of our best friends subscribe to other periodicals, and all are welcome to attend the luminous.

THE PERIODICAL POST BOY

Richard P. Bond, slong with the money part of his renewed subscription, sends us from the University of North Carolina hasber 1, March, 1948, of The Poriodical Post Boy. We thank him, and welcome to the scholarly world this lusty youngster.

Its first issue consists of 8 mimographed pages beginning with the following statements (in part):

"A number of scholars have recently pooled their surrestions for siding research in the English and American periodical as a broad basis for sound literary history and criticism. You, through the initiative of Professor Shine, averyone interested in this field is invited to take parts. Our medium of appunnication will be this bulictines. (which) will go to press only when it has something to publish, and will be sent to whoover claims an interest (free)."

Number 1 contains these headings: Microfilms of Periodicals; Recent studies of 19th Century Periodicals; Research Projects; the Lion's Nouth (Queries, etc.); and New Publications. Mr. Sond is Chairman.

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EDITORIAL TRIBULATIONS

Professor Helen White, we are told, keeps her multifarious activities esperate, and manages to push them all along, by having five deaks, each of which is devoted to a different project. It sounded to us like a wonderful idea when we took over the News Letter, and we set aside a deak (really, a table) to be used for riodical. Trouble is, we never sit down at the News Letter desk without finding that our pen, or ruler, or eraser, or what not, is at the other dock, and have to go get it. Then we leave it here, and accuse the children of having spirited it away when we start working at our regular desk. Besides, speak-tag of children, they find the News Lotter desk an ideal place to draw pictures, out out paper dolls, and peace; so do not be surprised if this sustere publication one day comes out with a cutout of Minnie Minkle on Page 1 by mistake.

But to return to Miss White, perhaps we haven't quite got the idea. Or could it be that she is just able to turn our more work than five ordinary people, even without five desket That might bo it.

INSTITUTE OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

The twenty sixth annual roport of the Institute of Historical Rosearch at the University of London reveals a number of interesting seventeenth century projects underway. Although they are primarily historical rather than literary, these studies may

be of interest to readers of this Newslotter. Miss Dorsen Mine (Bedford College) is writing a discertation on "The two lause Flot, 1670-05." W. G. Beasley of University College is writing on "Anglo-Dutch Relations in the Severteenth Century. C. D. Chanderan of the London School of Economics is invostigating "English Revonus and Revenue Policy, 1660-38." From the University of Liverpool, Wiss Alma C. Turnbull is

registered at the Institute for special studies on "The English Jacobites, 1669-1723." And Miss Irene Scouloudi from the Univ-

Supply of Males. And P. V. McGrath is investigating "The Food Supply of London in the Seventeenth Century."

We look forward to the published results of these studies in due course. In the meantine, it is interesting to know that

they are in progress.

To the Editors

- J. M. O.

STAUCTURE OF PARADISE LOST

I am working on a paper on "The Structure of Paradice Lost," a subject on which little has been done.

— Allen R. Benham, Washington.

In subscribing to the Namy Letter for the Walliam Andrews Clan Menorial Library of the University of California at Los An-Ma. H. William Archer, the supervising bibliographer, sends along (many thanks) a very interesting "Report of the First Decade, 1934-44" of that institution, published in handsome format by the University of California Press, 1946.

The Clark Library is maintained by a \$1,500,000 lagacy far maintenance of an original gift of a \$5,000,000 estate and library. A landscaped area is the setting for a building designed after study of many famous libraries, and impluding spacious wood-panelled rooms richly furnished. The collection originally consisting of 18,000 volumes, has been doubled, and landscaped area first or association origins. It to ntrongest in the Seventhenth and Sightmenth Centuries; its includes many managable kineteenth dentury masses is enter items. The Dryden collection is outstanding.

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The English Drara to 1700 — High G. Dick.

The Age of Dryden — Sigurd S. Hastredte.

The Eighteenth Century — E. H. Hockere.

Husico, Musical Literature — W. H. Rubesman.

The Binsteenth Century — F. P. Rolfe.

Western Americana — Lindley Bynus.

M. Stohard Archere. Fine Printing -- H. Richard Archer.

The Library has not forgotten the scholars who importantly keep books alive; it encourages seminars and small classes from the UCLA and neighboring campuses to meet in its rooms, awards an annual graduate followship to a UCLA student, and welcomes persons interested in research.

PARKER'S "PEDANTIAD", 40.

William R. Parker, New York University, Secretary of the Moders Language Association, editor of PMLA, and a subscriber to the Seventeenth Century News Letter, was one of the principal spak-ers April 24 at Rutgers at the Annual Form Meeting of the N. I. Council of College Teachers of English and the College Comference on English in the Central Atlantic States, He read a long. and (this reporter thought) wanderful satire on English literay scholarship from the beginnings to the present, in rhymed coup-lets and entitled "The Pedantiad." We have asked Professor Parkerfor the privilege of printing it, in inetalments if necessary, and he has promised to consider this. Of source the peas should be published in some periodical of larger circulation than ours, but although we have tried several times we have been unable quite to imagine its appearing in PMLA; certainly the News Letter's audience would be appreciative, if not as numerous. We have salvaged, on the edge of the program, only one couplets

When Good Queen Bees was but a guilty gris

When Good Queen Bees was but a guilty gris
Upon the swarthy face of Anne Boleyn.
Other speakers on a program remarkable for its high level of
interest and general excellence, with the general topis. "Research in Our Times," were Cleanth Brooks, Yale, "New Birections
in Scholarship, Criticism, and Evaluation;" Robert B. Spiller,
Pennsylvania, "The Function of Literary Research; a Recensiderse
tion;" and Joseph A. Brendt, President, Henry Holt & Co., "The
Scholar and the Publisher." (Mr. Parker did not miss the opportunity to pillory the former two distinguished scholars among the moderne in his poem).

Perhaps the following will already have appeared in the new issue of PMLA, but in case it does not, or some miss it, we shall mention that Professor Parker announced what sounds like a highly interesting program for the General Session at the New York MLA Convention next Recember. Miss Helen White will speak York MLA Convention next Incomper. Miss Relea Annie will speak on International Responsibilities of Scholarship; Howard Lunford Jones, Harvard, on its Scoiel Responsibilities; Henri Peyre, Yale, on its Assthetic Responsibilities; and Deuglas Bush, Harvard, on Scholarship and Literary Criticism.

MILTON'S ORTHODOXY

To the Editor: Since the previous "world orisis" discombobulated by efforts to understand Milton's philosophy and theology, this time I deoided to take time by the forelock and have just completed an article on "Orthodoxy and John Kilton -- a Froblem." It takes up Kilton's views on the Trinity in the light of Amandus It takes Polanus and Zanchius as an example of how we could begin to relate the Logic and the Christian Doctrine. - To S. N. Scott-Craig, Dartmouth,

blow we print what we hope will be the first of a continuing series of abstracts of periodical articles on Seventeenth Contmy subjects. They should be of particular value to scholars my oto from large research libraries able to subscrite to all scholarly periodicale, if only by saving such scholars during their trips to such libraries the fruitless examination of

Issues of periodicals which contain mething to their purpose.

Frofessor Den A. Keister, of the University of Akron, has relunteered to begin what is at present only an experiment.

So should be plan to have other volunteers; such persons may sheese one or mare pariedicals for the abstracting of which they will be responsible. Besides the value to the readers of this periodical, the recurrent responsibility may sid the silling spirit of the volunteers in its battle with the weak Yiesh, always able to advance a reason why one should not de

agy research this week. The following abstracts cover the specified periodicals nd insuosa

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Leview of Empire's Studies, Jamiary, 1968.

. S. Eliot's well-advertised British Academy lecture on Milton is printed in the Semance Review (LVI. 2, 185-209). M-. Eliot exphasizes that his earlier objections to Milton were essentially technical, having to do with "the language, the syntax; the versification, and the imagery" of the poetry, and were (or should have been) limited in application to the situation (or should have been) likeled in application to the situation is which he found himself twenty-five years ago as a practicing poets. Now that the situation has changed, poets may derive value from a study of Milton's verse. Of more interest, perhaps, to students of Milton are Mr. Eliot's development of Jahnson's strictures and an appreciation, with some receivations. of Kilton's postie virtues,

Caroline Spurgeom's Shakespeare's Imagery and What It Tells Us (1935) is of interest not only to Shakespeare specialists. In The Gritical Achievement of Caroline Spurgeon (Menyon Review, %) 1, 92-108) Etanley Edgar Hyman appraises the values and limitations of Miss Spurgeon's method, suggests modifications and improvements, and compludes that "some of the subtlest and

CHINA AS A SEVENTEZNIH CENTURY UTOPIA

Following is a resume of my paper presented at the Renaissance

The utopian conception of China began in the sixteenth century and was widespread and influential by 1675s China was to thought in the seventsenth century what America was to that of the sixteenth. Descriptions of China resemble contemporary utopies, but the nature of their reciprocal influence is not gles".

China's longevity, stability, and prosperity based on the saximus utilization of resources of men and materials was parterially admired. Suropeans read their own ideals into descriptions of Gains and used them to back up almost any scheme. The example of Chinese monarchy influenced the rise of Beneva-elent Despotian; and that of Chinese religion furthered liber-thnism, deien, and naturalism,

F. S. Crofts have published by Selected Essays of Francister, 1948, in the Crofts Classics, 50% and Enery University Thrary, Atlanta, Georgia, by Azilia; A Discourse by Sir Robert Sentropery, 1717, Projecting a Settlement in the Colony Later

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most important criticism of our day has been, and will in-creasingly be, enabled to venture far indeed because of he

E. L. Marilla, in "The Publisher to the Reader" of Olor Iscan E. L. Harilla, in "The Publisher to the Reader" of Oler Lecames" (RES. XXIV, 93, 36-41) re-examines the preface to the 1651 colelection of Vaughan's secular poetry and argues that it was a deliberate obfuscation intended to convey the felse impression that Vaughan had "positively renounced" the poems, and thus to secure him against the possible recommend that might be aroused by some of the Mayalies poission sensions copressed in the volume.

In the same issue of RES (pp. 68-69) is a review by to as Wright of F. E. Butchinson's Mitton and the English Mind.

Resement Tuve's recent Elizabethan and Metaphysical Imagery is enthusicastically reviewed by Keaneth Burke for Accent (VIII, S. 128-127). Her expectation of carlier critical theory, he finde, supplies not only a corrective for current "misreadings" of Elizabethan and Jacobsan poetry, but also "can mark a state in literary criticism by reemphasising the mecessity for using logic, rhetoric, and poetic, all three, in analyzing imagery. Josephine Hiles, reviewing the same book for the Sewannes Review (LVI, 2, 512-315), is critical of its first part, but finds the second part "exciting" for reasons similar to Mr. Burks's.

-- Dos A. Kelster, Akron.

Detroit.

ABSTRACT: A SPANISH BOOK OF DONNE'S

An article on Donne that escaped notice in most of the annual bibliographics for English scholars is José A. Maños Rojas's "Un libro español en la biblioteca de Bonne," in the Revista de Pilologia Española, xxx (1961), 106-1116

In the eighteenth of the LXXX Sermons Bonne refere to "a vulgar Spanish Author, who writes the Josephina, the life of Joseph, the husband of the blessed Virgin Hary." Donne's company of the Josephina with his name and matter on the

copy of the Josephine, with his name and motto on the title-page, is in the British Museum, and, in spite of his his library than of any other nation, this is the only book in Spanish from his library that has survived.

-- R. C. Bald, Cornell. ED. NOTE: Professor Bald is hereby appointed Seventeenth Cantury Nows Letter Abstractor Plemipotentiary for the Revista de Filologia Española.

LOCKE'S PAPERS DESCRIBED

From the Radio Times we learn of an interesting description by the BBC of John Looke's papers, recently acquired by the Rod-leian. It was given as fifth in a series called Work in Pro-gress" on the "Third Programme," which includes intellectual, artistic, and other serious subject matters: "Sir Edmund Craster (Fellow of All Soul's College, Oxford,

and late Bodley's librarian) describes the Lovelace collection of John Locks's manuscripts, notebooks, and correspondence which has been acquired by the Bodleian and which throws such

new light on the history of Looke's life and thought."

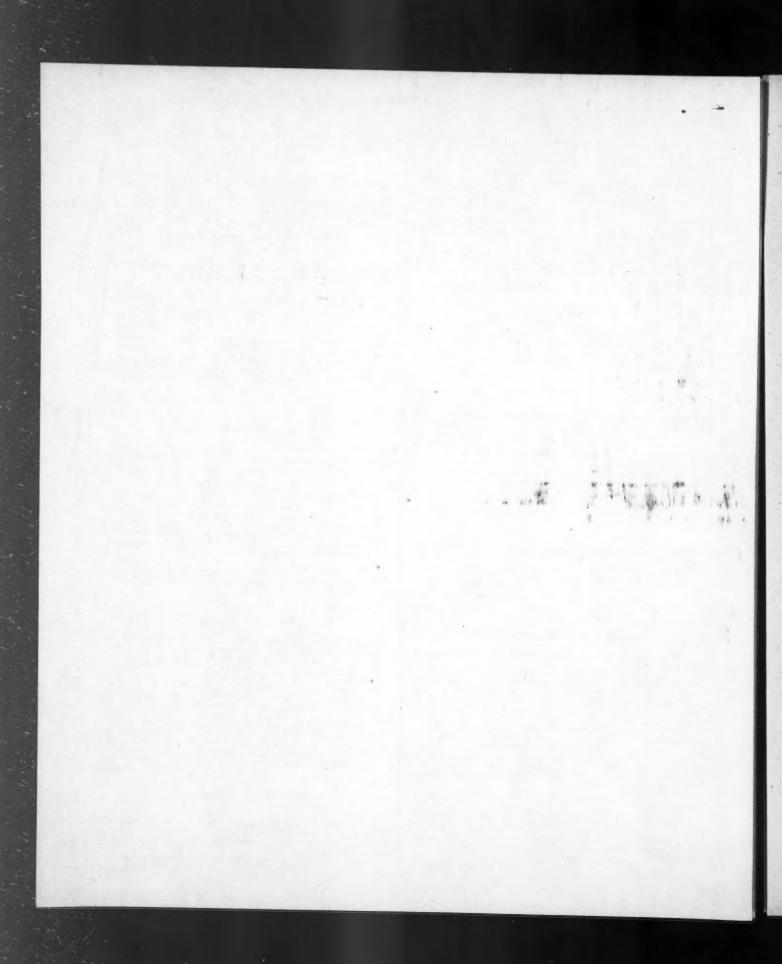
"Selected papers from the collection are to be published, on the basis of an examination of the MSS, by Dr. W. won on the basis of an examination of the MEN, by the state of Durham University, who has discovered the key to the shorthand Locke used for recording some of his ideas. The shorthand Locke used for recording some of his ideas.

PLATONISTS AND PURITABLE

To the Editor,

I am in 17th and 18th century American literature primarily,
but for some time have been toying with the relationships because the Cambridge Flatonists and first and second generation Puritans in America.

- M. P. Heiser, University of lows.



The second second

It is a great pleasure to see the Savanteenth Century Tax: Letter again -- thank you very much for sending it. I am sorry that I mot subscribe; that would mean tackling the Bank of England, elmost certainly unsuccessfully; but if there is anything I can

almost certainly unsuccessfully; but if there is anything I can send you in exchange, I shall be very pleased to fall in with your wishes. I hope that present restrictions will disappear, but there is no sign of any change in the mear future.

I cannot even supply you with any news, at any rate about individual schelars. The most important book for seventeenth cantury studies here in England this year is probably the Index to the Vertue Note-books, printed by the Walpole Society. The notes wary greatly in value, but are now easily accesible. English 17th century art-history is attracting some attention. The notes wary greatly in value, but are now easily accessions. English 17th century art-history is attracting some attention. Miss.W. D. Whinney has investigated John Webb's drawings for Whitchell Palace (Walpole Society, vol. 31); a note by Dr. R. Wittkower, "Inigo Jones - 'Puritaniasimo Piero'" (Burlington Magasine, February, 1948), asttles the question of Jones's religion (it is important for the problem of his artistic training) and also throws freeh light on his character. E. E. training) and also throws fresh light on his character. S. A. Materhouse Tave a short series of lectures on English painting during the Puritan regime at the Courtauld Institute, and Professor Geoffrey Webb a series on English sculpture in the 17th and 18th centuries; these both I think in the session 1986/67. They both had a great deals to say that is either completely new, or very little known. It is to be hoped that some of it will be published in due course.

I have a theory that Milton has risen in general estimation

in recent years. The new interest is not so much literary or scholarly as moral; Kilton has the qualities which people most require in times of danger or trouble. If my view is correct, interest is likely to shift from the Restoration and its more ebrious personalities to the Puritans and the great constructebrique personalities and statesmon. -- Earnord \$. De Beer, London.

To this editor, news is a more valuable commodity than cash, and we think all will agree that Mr. de Beer's letter is amply worth a year's subscription in view of present currency con ditions in Great Britain.

Kovertheless, we do have to pay the printer, and gave a suggestion to make. Most of the American subscribers to this periodical have experienced great courtesies from their British colleagues on occasions of visits abroad, yet perhaps have been unable to reciprocate. If any such persons would care to send us a dollar, we should be glad to send the News Letter to any designated foreign scholar, for a year, together with a little card indicating at whose instance we were sending it. (If you do not wish to designate a specific scholar, but morely wish to implement a general Britain-wards er continent-wards -- benignancy, just send us a dollar and we shall be able to continue the subscription of one more foreign colleague whom we night otherwise have to strike from the list.)

LIFE OF DONNE

I began working on Donne's life during the war, about 1943. I received a Guggenheim Pellowship for 1946-47 for the purpose of spending a year in England to collect materials for the , and I spent my time between London, Oxford, and Cambridge, I have so many leads I have not yet been able to follow up that I shall need, I should say, three more summers collecting materials before I can hope to be ready to write. It would probably be optimistic to expect the book within five years. -- R. C. Reld. Cornell

SEVENTEENTE CENTURY COURSE OFFICINGS

Er. Setrick's report that Seventeenth Century offerings ere being increased at Excry suggests that it might be interesting ever a number of college and university catalogs for information from other institutions on the same subject. Would se care to read such an article ...?

Of those who have their hands raised, would anyone care to

Then, will someone volunteer...... (It wouldn't have be expectative; could limit steelf to say five typical colleges thre alveraged.

To the Editor:
You might list the striking number of Milton books putlished
within a year (see list enclosed). One of these on Paradise
Regained is by Elisabeth Pope, who has a fellowehip at the
Folgor this year. Michael Krouse's study of Sanson Aconists
is in the press, and so, by the way, is the whime of a CoLovejoy's Non-Philosophical Essays published by the Elstery
of Ideas Club here.

Clark, Donald Lamon. John Milton at St.

Faul's School. N. Y., 1947.

Bliot, T. S. Milton. (Annual leagure on a Mastor Mind.) From the Proceedings of the British Academy, Volume IXXIII, Oxford Univ. Press, Londons Cumbenless, 1947.

Gilbert, Allen R. On the Composition of Paradise Losts a study of the ordering and insortion of material. Chapel Mill.

Butchinson, F. S. Milton and the English Mind. London, Endder and Stoughton for the English Universities Press), 1946.

Pope, Elisabeth Marie. Paradise Regained Pope, Elizabeth Marie. Paradise Regained the tradition and the poem. Saltimore,

Rajan, Balachandra, Paradise Lost and the Seventeenth Century Reader, London, 1947, Waldook, Arthur John Alfred, Paradise Lost and Its Critics, Cambridge, England, 1947, — E. B. Harens, Johns Hepkins.

MILTON AND COLURIDOR

To The Editors

I have just completed a study of certain relations between Senson Agonistes and Coleridge's Dejections on Ode, and as not enjoyed in correlating a passage from Faradian Lots, Sock I, with possible sources from the Greek.

-- Garlend Ethel, University of Nachington

GO GLIND A TREE INP'T.

"The first charge against English studies, then, was that of dilettantism. And dilettantism has been the bugbear of the mig-ority of professors of English ever since. Against it they built themselves a bulwark; pedantry. The results lie before us in the publications of the Modern Language Association. Clearly, the bulwark was worse than the bugbear." (1) Erio Bentley, Minnesota.

"Even within the tribe of specialists in English literature, the several groups do not speak a common language. The languages spoken may be represented by the Publications of the kodern Language Association, the Journal of the History of Ideas, and the Kenyon Review. The willingness of the several groups to learn from one another (even the PHIA's traditional spots have taken one eritical and philosophical hue), but attempts at rapprochement are perhaps less conspicuous than contrifugal diversity ...

"One might expect meetings of the Modern Language Association tion to be gatherings of breedly cultivated men and women united by common interests. As a matter of fast, they are -in the corridors. But the papers read in any one of the fiftyseven special groups may have little meaning or interest for members of the other fifty six." (2)

o- Touglas Buch, Harvard. (1). In "Education and the Literary Heritage," Journal of Higher Education, Pabruary 1948, p. 67.

(2). In English Literature and Cultural Unity, in Approaches to Group Understanding, ed. Lyman Bryson, Earper, 1867, pp. 366, 367.

ED. MOTE: Our frivolous nature could not resist using the Kew Yorker's well known captics over the above. However, when such persons as Mr. Sentley and Mr. Sush view with alarm, it be-hooves us to take notice. The "centrifugal diversity" of which notes us to take notice. The "centrifugal diversity" of which Mr. Such speaks is not alone characteristic of the Enders Language Association; it is the central problem, and perhaps the only unifying one, of modern times. (Miss Miscleon, in the series of lectures at Cornell classwhere reported, has some interesting things to say about its early, and at-the-time-almost-undet-ised, development in the Seventeenth Cantury). **記事を表現であることをいった。**(1997)

w the Editor. the Editor:

Litication of the Annual Bibliography of English Language and
invature by the Modern Humanities Research Association has
an resumed with the appearance of Volume XX, for 1939. It is
justed to follow this with the volume for 1940 as quickly as middle, in the hope of getting up to date in a couple of yeers. storship. I have been asked to take over responsibility for a material. I have already had the generous help of Lonald as of Chicago and Davie H. Harding of Yale in addition to that gry colleagues here, especially Thomas Hango.

I would like particularly to ask to get on lists for off-mats, bibliographical lists, and all items of scholarly inter-us. I want especially to have the sizes of books both ways in

6. 7. Blessil of Terents has uncertaken the Genedian mater at fermerly handled by A. S. P. Woodhouse.

I hope you find the News Letter worth all the effort it will lies. I confess I read the Explicator and Clifford's Johnsonian as Letter with great interest, finding in such publications as , and yours, relief from the harsh impersonality of comreial journalism and the rigid emphasis on cold reason in the reial journalism and the rigid emphasis on cold reason in the sudenic publications. I sometimes have the confortable feeling as other people may really be interested in my work. Geoffrey mileteon, for instance, sent me an unplublished letter of Edard Toung's after reading in Clifford's shart of my interest. Maps you can gain the same advantage of passing over national boundaries into the wide realm of scholarly inferests. You might to cultivate English, Canadian, Australian, African corepondents. (1)

that we could use also it seems to me is a little journal Postic eriticism given to items explaining the relations of iterature and life on the same plan as the Explicator but miss what is ruled out of its province.

I have been enjoying a new course in Letters and Journals much Dorothy Caborne, Peppe, and Evelyn play important wise, and in Biographics where Welton will be the major startas boint. - Henry Pettit, Colorado.

U. Lay volumeeret RD.

THE NATURE OF PLASTIC PATURE

I shall be in Washville at Vanderbilt and in Washington, at. the Library of Congress this summer studying under a grant from the Cardegie Foundation. I want, if possible, to trace the 17th entury consection of plastic nature as it appears in the posts of the period. Meanwhile I have heard no news ament the propos-A 100 1 variorus.

Readers may be interested in a couple of books I have recentpreceived, object of Selden, Dis Syris Syntagmata (1661), same, diceronianus (1557), and Ramus, Aristotelicae Animadvergelates (1563). The Ciceronianus, by the way, is reinforced by a number of bits of medieval manuscript which I am utterly unable the selipher. (1)

(1) We might run a photograph in the Nows Letter and see if ayone else can. ED.

ANGLO-AMERICAN DEPARTMENT

to the Editors an afraid that I have very little news about my own activitles to give you. I have been at work finishing up a short book es the relation between the religious ideas and the literary theory of the New England Puritans and I am now trying to do a Estory of American literature up to and including the Revolution which is to be the first section of a proposed new history of American literature in collaboration with three other writ-

In the current year I am giving a small advanced seminar in terenteenth century religious prose in which I hope some Arer-isen writers of the period will be discussed as well as their auglish contemporaries. I feel very strongly that the study of seventeenth century literature should as far as possible in-clude study of that was done in this country. (1).

Kenneth B. Murdock, Harvard.

(1). So co w. Ed.

INO NYRSCHALDE (Dayne) reports tiest his Shakespeare and the Dationare is resur for the printer, the Ohio State University

The above appears in a copy of Bishop John King, Lectures Unen Junes, 1615. (It is here reduced about 1/3). I would say I mak Walton's signature was of about 1621. but what the other marks and words? They are apparently in another Walton's; or else Walton wrote them later, when his own handwriting was smaller and more precise.

Since I have been attempting, with no notable success, to demonstrate some connection between Welton and the King fam-ily, I find it easy to read the last word as "King," and even "Blis." But I have of me Titable the word before 1% as But I know of no Elizabeth King. Does anyone? Or can

anyone throw light on this inscription? My biography of Walton is advancing, but slowly because of new jobs the last few years. I am trying to write so as to be complete and accurate enough for the scholars, yet now boring. to the general reader (including the wast memberships of the I sank Walton League of America and the Walton and Cotton Society of Great Britain). Perhaps this will prove to be a mistake, and of Great Srittin). Perhaps this will prove to be a mistar, and I shall full between two stools. At any rate, it is slow work. Sut I am now working on a semi-final draft of Chapters V and VI which will bring me up to 1660 and within sight of the end. Depending on how much I have time to do, especially this sammer and next. I might hope to be ready for publication by 1850. This would be appropriate, for I have a theory that Welton wrote the Complext Angler in that year. - The Editor.

WATCOWIN LIVES

To the Editors To the Editors
The subject of my dissertation (Yale) is Itaak Valton's Lives
A Study in Diographic Technique. I propose to demonstrate the
conscious artistry of Walton as a biographer by means of a
detailed examination of his purposes, his materials, and his
revisions of each of the Lives in its various printed styless.
I expect to complete the work this summer.

— Devid Nover, Cornelle

THE SCHOOL THE TH PETRONAL NATION

Professor Marjorie Nicolson of Columbia has been delivering a series of six lectures in the Messenger Foundation series at Cornell on The "Sublime" in External Nature: Studies in the mistory of Literature and Science. They form, she telle us, book. On a semester's leave, she is working also on material she has already published or has in her possession, which will form another, larger, book. Professor William Haller, a colleague of here at Columbia,

is away on a year's leave, and is working at the Huntington Library on a book on Milton. This reporter mentioned the number of Eilton books now appearing (see the list sent in by Professor Havens) and the opinion expressed by Er. de Seer (in another article in this issue). Hiss Nicolson heartily agrees with the view that Milton is popular after wars, and reels that he has the strength and faith people need at such times.

HAN FORD AT COLUMBIA

Professor Holly Hanford is at Columbia this semester, teaching Miss Nicoleon's course in the Seventeenth Century, and Professor Haller's in Milton. He too is working on a book on Milton which (as we understand it -- we'd be glad to hear from Pro-feasor Hanford direct, especially if this is not correct) will make available in convenient form the cumulative results of milton scholarship to date, including of course Mr. Heaford's OWE .

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Just as we go to press, the new streamline editions of PCLA reach us. By the time this reaches you, we shall probably have caught our breath, but at present we are quite flabborgasted. Apparently the leopard has changed his spots indeed.

pard has changed his spots indeed.

The Modern Language Association being what it is, there will no doubt be a mixed opinion of the new format, but for our part we found it exciting. We could hardly wait to get home and examine the contents. There, too, we found innovations and changes. We were particularly interested in the dates of joining the Association accompanying the list of members, and in the announcements of the prize competitions which Oxford and Magmillan are offering with the MA. (We notice some changes in the an-acumements reported on page 2 of this periodical... Congratulations to the new secretary and editors

MISS TUVE TO VISIT ENGLAND

To the Editore To the Editors In response to your eloquent appeals in the last News Letters I mublished during 1947 Elizabethan and Metaphysical Ingrarys Renaissance Foetic and 20th Century Critics, and a facsimile edition (with introduction) of Googe's translation of Palingenus Zodiake of Life (Scholar's Facsimiles & Reprints). During 1948 I shall take a half-phar's lowe, largely in England. I am working on some studies of Merbert's and Donne's religious poems in connection with medieval lyrics and with liturgy, including lithurgical music. A first essay, on Earbert's The Sacrifice, more or less of a counterblast to Espaon's critique of that poem in the Seven Types, is largely

ready and may come out separately.

I am not renewing at the moment, since I shall be sbroad for six months -- you know the muisence of piled-up leaflets to reed upon one's return.

- Resemond Ture, Commestious College.

We shall be happy to put first-class postage upon the News Letter of Miss Tuve, or any other traveller beyond the Ocea Sea, so that it will be forwarded; or will send the Kows Latter direct to any foreign address.

MILTONIALA CEREMAICA. ETC.

To the Paitor.

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have been amusing myself with the treatment of Milton and Miltonie subjects in coronics. I wonder if other Miltonians

where my interest and have collections.

One suggestion: that out of the way publications in the field be listed, particularly privately printed books and pamphlets; material published by little mown publishers, and items in university series. Many times such items are out of print before one hears of them. In each instance the price and rame of the seller should be given. (Incidentally, does anyone know the whereabouts of a copy of Milton's Royalism, by Malcols M. Roset (1).

-- Donald M. Roberts, C.C.N ... ED. MOTE, We shall be glad to print notices of out of the way items grouph to our attention. Perhaps Mr. Roberts would care to act as Seventeenth Century News Letter correspondent for the fields in question. Incidentally, we'd be glad to have a correspondent who would keep track of what the booksellers are doing, especially in the matter of cales. As to Mr. Roberts's paren-thesis, possibly Mr. Ross himself knows of a copy; he is now at the Uplwersity of Manitobs.

ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS, 1646-68.

file of English newspapers covering 1646-1668 has just been acquired by the New York Public Library, according to a clipping sent in by a helpful correspondent. They are bound, and their condition is good. They were formerly in the library of the Sarl of Lonzdale, Lowther Castle, Penrith, England. They form's veluable supplement to the complete file of the London barette from its inception in 1666 which is already in the ibary a possession.

To the Editors ... Incidentally, old timers in the MA (I understand) have always avoided the word 'convention' referring to our jambores as the 'neetings.' I don't know whether you may receive any react ion from them, but I don't see why we shouldn't call it a som-vention since that is that it is in fact. (1) "

At the moment I have no other news items to send along. One of these days I shall send a few comments about the article on Drylen's brothers and sisters that Percy Dryden Mundy had in the

Drylen's brothers and sisters that Ferry Dryden Handy had in the March 20 issue of Eotos and Quories.

Speaking of Dryden, I am very prejudiced, of course, but I hope you are not going to follow the tendency among most Miltonians, and consider that the seventeenth century ended in 1876; The Pattern in graduate school seminars is strong, and probably conditions the thinking of most people in the field. But to Drydenians deplore it. (2)

(1) Esither do we.
(2) We certainly have no intention of stopping at 1674.
What! And lop ten years off our dear Isaak Walton to progrusticanize him on a chronological bed? Anyway, we did our lasteric work under Bredvold, and our scholarly supereço would give se no peace if we excluded John Dryden. -- James M. Cebern, Tale.

THE MUSE IN CHAINS 4.

How much seventeenth century literature was written while the authors were confined in prison? It is surprising how many some to mind at once. John Sunyan and Pilgrim's Progress is distely come to mind. William Pryane wrote a long list of

others we think of are James Howell and A Rocturnal Frog-ress; George Withers and his Satyr to the Kings Bir Henry was and An Epistle to the Mystical Body of Christs and William D'Arenant wrote the third book of Conditors in confinement. What other prison born literature can our readers think off

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